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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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### OIL ENTERPRISES.

#### IN DUTCH EAST INDIES.

##### NEW LEGISLATION PROPOSED.

THE HAGUE, December 22.

During the Second Chamber debate on the estimates for the Dutch Indies Mr. de Graaf, Minister for the Colonies, stated that pending abolition of the export duty on petroleum as from January 23, payment of duty might be postponed with the special authorisation of the Government of the Dutch Indies. Thus after the States General had ratified abolition it would be unnecessary to refund duties paid since January. The Minister acknowledged the importance of foreign capital to the Dutch Indies and stated that it was proposed to start an inquiry in neighbouring countries in regard to the fiscal regime to which oil enterprises were subjected and the general conditions in which they worked. He declared that the Chamber was perfectly free to abolish the export duty on petroleum and to reject the petroleum refinery tax which would be proposed. The two measures were entirely independent of each other.

#### BAIQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

##### NEED FOR PROMPT ACTION.

##### BRITISH BANKRUPTCY THREAT.

PARIS, December 22.

A Senatorial commission has begun an examination of the Bill recently passed by the Chamber for employing the remainder of the Boxer indemnity to reorganise the Banque Industrielle de Chine. As soon as M. Jeanneney has completed his report the Bill will be submitted to the Senate as despatched from China show the advisability of the Bill becoming law as promptly as possible.

M. Doumergue, President of the Foreign Affairs Committee in the Senate, communicated to the Committee a letter from M. Girolet, President of the provincial administration of the Banque Industrielle, alleging that according to authoritative information in interested circles in London if the Bill for the reconstruction of the Banque Industrielle is not ratified by December 31 the British courts will order a declaration of Bankruptcy in the London, Singapore and Hongkong branches of the Bank.

#### GERMANY'S FINANCES.

##### BUDGET FOR 1923.

BERLIN, December 22.

The Federal Council has adopted the provisional Budget of the Reich for 1923. The ordinary Budget balances at 732 milliard marks. The extraordinary Budget shows an expenditure of 84½ milliards and a revenue of 182 milliards, including 44½ milliards for general administration purposes 206 milliards for the execution of the Peace Treaty, a total deficit of 721 milliards for which only 90 milliards is expected to be available for the proceeds of the compulsory loan.

#### RELIEF OF RUSSIA.

##### 8,000,000 NEEDING HELP.

GENEVA, December 22.

The Nansen organisation for the relief of Russia reports that it is estimated there will be a deficit of at least a million tons of grain in Russia in the winter. The Russian authorities estimate that eight million famine-stricken people require assistance. The Soviet Government does not expect to be able to feed more than four and a quarter million.

#### MOTOR ACCIDENT.

##### POLICE SERGEANT HURT.

Lance Sergeant O'Connor of the Police and a shop-keeper of No. 102, Queen's Road West, were involved in a motor-car accident at the corner of Whitty Street yesterday afternoon.

Motor car No. 268, owned by the Moon Garage, was making the corner in Queen's Road West when it suddenly skidded. It mounted the pavement, hit a kerb and applied

the brakes, and ran into the Sergeant and a Chinese who were standing outside shop No. 302. The shop-keeper received the full force of the collision and was so severely injured that he had to be taken to the hospital. Sergeant O'Connor was caught by one of the shop-keepers and layed about the leg.

#### SNATCHER CAUGHT.

##### A Chinese youth was sentenced by

Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning to six weeks' jail for snatching a gold watch and foil from Mr. A. Rahim of the Hongkong Electric Co.

Mr. Rahim was walking past the World Theatre yesterday afternoon when the defendant collided with him. Simultaneously Mr. Rahim felt a tug at his waist-coat pocket, and found his watch was gone. Defendant took to his heels but was caught after a short chase.

#### UNNECESSARY WORDS.

"Why waste words and advertising space in describing the many points of merit in Chamberlain's Court Laundry? The most fastidious are satisfied when we state that it is the cleanest and neatest absolutely, no trouble or trouble, no sub-tance, or sub-tance, or sub-tance."

### THE DOLLAR.

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### ROUND THE WORLD FLIGHT.

#### SIR KEITH SMITH'S PLANS.

##### ATTEMPT TO BE MADE IN APRIL.

WASHINGTON, December 22.

The airmen Sir Keith Smith, who is at present here has virtually completed his plans for crossing the Western hemisphere in an attempt to fly round the world next April. He proposes to cross the Pacific from Siberia to Alaska, follow the Canoe railway across Canada, then to New York from Toronto. Then he will return to Halifax and thence to St. John's. Plans for the trans-Atlantic flight have not yet been definitely settled but his present programme contemplates a flight from St. John's to the Azores and thence to London.

### CANADIAN CHURCH DESTROYED.

#### WORK OF INCENDIARIES.

QUEBEC, December 21.

The Notre Dame Church, one of most beautiful in Canada, was destroyed by fire. The church, which was known as the French Basilea, dated back to 1647. The Chief of the Provincial Police stated that the fire was incendiary. He received a letter that the church would be burned down on December 28. The damage is estimated at a million dollars.

### TURKISH MILITARY SERVICE.

#### CHRISTIANS NOT EXEMPTED.

LAUSANNE, December 22.

The minorities sub-commission states that the Turks have refused to consent to the exemption of Christians from military service in spite of all the arguments of the British, French and Italian delegates. It was agreed that the League of Nations should be responsible for inquiring into any infraction of the minority arrangements and it was proposed that a League commissioner visit Turkey for this purpose when required.

### INDIAN LABOUR UNREST.

#### CALCUTTA TRAMWAY STRIKE.

CALCUTTA, December 22.

A general tramway strike has been declared following the dismissal of a driver. The trams are only running along two routes. There have been a few cases of assaults on workers three of whom are now in hospital. A restricted service guarded by armed police is being maintained with Howrah.

### SOVIET NEWS OF WAR.

#### 10,000 ROUBLES FOR RED ARMY.

PARIS, December 21.

Complying with the demand of the President of the revolutionary tribunal, M. Trotsky, the Soviet budget commission has agreed to allow an additional ten million gold roubles for the needs of the Red army during the forthcoming year.

### NEW AMERICAN JUDGE.

WASHINGTON, December 22.

The appointment is confirmed of Mr. Pierce Butler of St. Paul's as associate justice of the Supreme Court instead of Mr. William R. Day.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DEC. 23, 1932.

"Christians, awake, PEACE—salute the happy morn!" ON EARTH, Although we celebrate Christmas five times since the hand of war was stayed, we are still far from realising the ideal "Peace on earth and goodwill to men." But we need not lose heart. A wordly ambition, as Arnold Bennett has pointed out, can be frequently realised; but an ideal cannot be attained—if it could, it would not be an ideal. And therein lies the great secret of Christmas. This is the season when we renew our fading-hope in our ideal, when we take fresh heart and strive anew.

That Christmas has lost much of its quondam sense of time and magic is un-denialable, but even today, in these hard, material times, a modern philosopher (in the person of Arnold Bennett) assures us that "the spirit and rites of ancient Christmas are kept up, more or less, in their full vigour and splendour, by a race of people that is scattered over the whole earth . . . a race mysterious, mystic, conservative, imaginative, passionately sincere, arriving from we know not where, discloving before our eyes we know not how . . . the children by virtue of whose faith the reindeer are still trampling the sky . . .".

Actually this December twenty-five was not the day Christians celebrated as the greatest in history. TURNS. That is a known and admitted fact. Why, then, was the Christians' feast fixed for that day? Our same happy philosopher gives answer, explaining that Christians were not, at first, united in the celebration of Christmas; some keeping it in January, some in April, and others in May. It was a pre-Christian force, he asserts, which drove them all into agreement on the twenty-fifth of December—the winter

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"PLASSY"	7,303	10th Jan. 1923	Marseilles, London & Liverpool
"NAGORE"	6,300	10th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"SOUDAN"	6,201	10th Jan.	Marseilles, London & Liverpool
"SARDINA"	6,580	24th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"NELLORE"	6,853	7th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Liverpool
"DETA"	6,700	10th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"SICILY"	6,700	10th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Liverpool
"KHIV"	6,700	21st Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
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"DOWCH."	8,000	4th Apr.	do. do. do.
"NANNI"	7,600	18th Apr.	do. do. do.
"KARMA"	8,000	2nd May	do. do. do.
"KASHGAR"	8,000	10th May	do. do. do.
"NYANZA"	7,000	5th May	do. do. do.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### THE BOXER INDEMNITY.

PEKING, December 27th.

Reuter's correspondent learns that the British Government has decided, in principle, to devote the future instalments of the British share of the Boxer Indemnity to purposes mutually beneficial to China and Great Britain.

Pending an official communication to this effect, the Chinese Government has informally notified of the intention of the British Government.

LONDON, December 21st.

The Times London correspondent suggests that no better use could be found for portion of the Boxer Indemnity than the endowment of a number of post-graduate scholarships, tenable in Great Britain, by Chinese students from the Straits Settlements and Hongkong.

He emphasizes that China's greatest need at present is transport facilities, and he says he is sure there are many Chinese engineering students in Hongkong and the Straits Settlements who would, after graduating, be glad to study road making and other municipal enterprises in Great Britain.

Similarly, the Government, postal, telephone and telegraph administration could offer openings to picked men, who would return to their native country imbued with the sound traditions of the British Civil Service, coupled with a technical knowledge of some special subject, and it should not be difficult to also arrange admission for a number of these endowed students to factories in Great Britain.

LONDON, December 21st.

Commenting on the announcement from Peking, to the effect that Great Britain had decided to devote the Boxer Indemnity to purposes mutually beneficial to both countries, the Times says that this is a wise and graceful act of statesmanship, and deduces that the money will be spent on the education of Chinese under British auspices.

The Times is of opinion that in order to quicken the best elements in Chinese traditions with British ideals, not only demands money, but careful forethought and intimate sympathy, the conditions for which are already present, and declares that the education should be thoroughly practical, and given, as far as possible, in the country itself.

### DEVELOPMENT OF CHINA'S RESOURCES.

LONDON, December 21st.

In the course of a speech at a dinner at the Overseas Chinese Society, Mr. Chao Hsin-Chi (Chinese Charge d'Affaires) said that helping China set her house in order would not only benefit China but would also help keep China's door open for international trade, which would benefit the world generally, and Great Britain particularly. The more China's resources were developed, the greater would be the benefit to Great Britain.

As far as her foreign trade was concerned he felt confident that both countries were looking for harmonious co-operation.

Sir Alfred Ewing (Vice-Chancellor University of Edinburgh) said the number of Chinese students in Edinburgh University was approximately one per cent. of the whole number. He wished the other ninety-nine per cent. were as good as the Chinese. No body of students was so completely satisfactory; but Chinese students were not overlooking the fact that they represent a civilization which has played a great part in the history of the world, and might be destined to play an even greater part in the future.

### INCREASED CHINESE POSTAL RATES.

SHANGHAI, December 1st.

The Military Governor of Shantung and Shanghai, General Ho Fung Lin, stated at a meeting to-day that the new postal and telegraph rates were unworkable and were causing considerable hardship to people. He announced that the old rates would again come into force with his jurisdiction.

The Postal Commissioner, Mr. Shields, it is asserted, is threatening to close down the Post Offices in his district, but the Chinese Telegraph Administration is announcing a renewal of the former rates.

### NEW RUSSIAN COMMERCIAL BANK.

BERLIN, December 21st.

A Russian commercial bank, with a capital of ten million gold roubles, in which a Swedish banker is considerably interested, has been opened at Moscow. The bank is permitted to deal in foreign currencies and precious metals. These transactions have hitherto been restricted to the Soviet State Bank.

### SAIGON, SWATOW, SINGAPORE AND HOIHOW RUN.

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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

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PEKING, December 27th.

Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Limited, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 27th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 10th January, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged

goods are to be left in the Godowns,

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**MUI TSAI PROBLEM.****OBITUARY.****MR. ALEXANDER FERGUSSON.**

At a meeting of the Legislative Council next Thursday afternoon will be introduced, on the instructions of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a Bill which is officially described as an attempt to deal with the *Mui Tsai* problem.

The Bill is intituled An Ordinance to regulate certain forms of domestic service" and the general scheme is to allow employers to keep the *Mui Tsai* they are at present employing but to prohibit the employment of any new *Mui Tsai* in the Colony. A part of the Bill deals with the registration and examination of *Mui Tsai*, this is not to come into operation until such date as may be advised by notification of the Governor in Council.

The objects and reasons state inter alia:-

"This bill is introduced on the instructions of the Secretary of State, and is an attempt to deal with the *Mui Tsai* problem.

Clause 2 is declaratory. Payment to a parent or guardian by an employer who thereby obtains the custody of the child has never in this Colony conferred any rights upon such employer as against the parent or guardian, and has never conferred or such employer any right of retaining possession as against the child herself, but apparently some persons have ignorantly imagined that such rights could be transferred.

Broadly speaking, a *Mui Tsai* is defined as a female domestic servant whose employer obtained her services by means of a payment to any one. Paragraph (ii) of the definition is intended to cover two cases. One is the case where a girl has been transferred by one employer to another, and the second is the case where an employer has died and the care of the household has devolved on, e.g., his son or widow.

Clause 4 provides that no person shall hereafter take into his employment any *Mui Tsai*. This of course will not prevent any non-employer taking under an ordinary contract for service a girl who was formerly employed as a *Mui Tsai*.

Clause 5 provides that no person shall hereafter take into his employment any female domestic servant under the age of 10 years. This is intended to prevent evasion, as in the case of a child under 10 it might be difficult to prove that she was a *Mui Tsai*.

Clauses 6 deals with the treatment of *Mui Tsai*. It requires the employer to provide sufficient food and clothing, and in case of illness, such medical attendance as the employer might reasonably have been expected to provide for his own daughter. The clause also provides that no employer of a *Mui Tsai* shall overwork or illtreat such *Mui Tsai* or subject her to any punishment to which he might not reasonably subject his own daughter.

Clause 8 deals with the question of reparation, but it may be well to explain here that the general scheme of the bill is to allow employers to keep the *Mui Tsai* whom they have in their employment at present, but to prohibit the employment of any new *Mui Tsai* in the Colony. The right to retain existing *Mui Tsai* is of course subject to the right of the parents to reclaim their child, and to the right of the child to leave her employment of her own accord. All this is put broadly, and the limitations to the above statements will appear in the consideration of the particular clauses of the bill.

Sub clause (3) of clause 8 will enable the Secretary for Chinese Affairs to make it impossible for an undesirable employer to continue to employ any particular *Mui Tsai* as a *Mui Tsai*.

Part of the policy of the bill is to prevent transfers of *Mui Tsai* from one employer to another. It is, however, obviously necessary to provide for the case of the death of an employer, and in that event, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs will under clause 11 have power to make any order which he may think fit regarding the transfer of a *Mui Tsai* to e.g., the widow of the former employer.

**PIECE GOODS DISPUTE.**  
**A TEMPORARY SETTLEMENT.****THE NEGOTIATION REVIEWED.**

Last evening, the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce received an intimation from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce that, on certain conditions, the Chinese Piece Goods Guild has accepted the Chamber's new standard form of contract "for the time being." An outstanding question is to be submitted to the Manchester and Bradford Chambers and the Guild reserves liberty of action should the reply be unfavourable.

This marks what it is hoped will be the end of a long dispute. On the 3rd January 1921, the Chinese Piece Goods Guild asked the General Chamber of Commerce to get its members to adopt a uniform contract, complaining that it was very inconvenient to Chinese dealers to have to work with a different form of contract in respect of every importing firm, especially having regard to difficulty connected with translation. A few months later, the Guild submitted a suggested form which proposed that there should be six months' free delivery accommodation instead of the usual four months, and that, thereafter, interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum should be payable, instead of twelve. It was also proposed that goods should be ordered for arrival and lot for shipment, which means that the shipper in Manchester would bind himself to get the goods to Hongkong by a certain date instead of, as at present, undertaking to ship them from Home by a certain date.

The late Mr. Ferguson, who was only 42 years of age, joined the staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in London very early in this century, and after his preliminary experience there came out East in 1904 to join the staff of the Bank at Hongkong. In the following year he was transferred to Foochow, where he remained for a period of five years before becoming a member of the staff of the Shanghai branch. He was in Shanghai from 1910 until 1918, and then went Home on leave. On his return to Shanghai little more than two years ago, he left the service of the Bank to enter into partnership with Mr. E. Oxley Cumming, as an exchange broker.

Though always keenly interested in sport, his physical weakness prevented him from taking part in many games, but he was always prominent in golf and billiards, and when Foochow proved himself to be quite a good shot.

He leaves to mourn his loss, a widow and two young daughters, at present in Shanghai, to whom the deepest sympathy is extended.

In the A.D.O.'s Production of *The Tempest*, the auditorium will be in complete darkness during the progress of the storm. It is therefore specially requested that everyone will be in their seats punctually at 9.15 p.m.

17. Clause 12 declares that every *Mui Tsai* of or over the age of 18 years may leave her employment at any time, without any notice and without any payment whatsoever.

18. It would obviously be undesirable to encourage *Mui Tsai* under the age of 18 to exercise their legal right to leaving their employment and without any reference to their parents or guardians or to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. Accordingly, clause 13 provides that every *Mui Tsai* under the age of 18 who wishes to be restored to her parents, and every *Mui Tsai* under the age of 18 whose parents wishes such *Mui Tsai* to be restored to his or her custody, shall be so restored unless the Secretary for Chinese Affairs sees some grave objection in the interest of the *Mui Tsai* to such restoration. For instance, he might refuse permission to restore a girl to the custody of a mother who was living an immoral life.

Clause 14 provides that every *Mui Tsai* of or over the age of 12 years and under the age of 18 years shall, as hitherto, have the right to apply to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, and that upon any such application the Secretary for Chinese Affairs may make any order which he may think fit regarding the custody, control, employment and conditions of employment of the *Mui Tsai*.

20. Clause 15 provides that every *Mui Tsai* of or over the age of 10 years shall be entitled to such wages as shall be prescribed. Regulation 7 of the draft regulations published with the bill provides that every *Mui Tsai* over the age of 10 years and under the age of 15 years shall be entitled to wages at the rate of at least \$1 a month and that every *Mui Tsai* of or over the age of 15 years shall be entitled to wages at the rate of at least \$1.50 a month. These wages may seem low by English standards, but they must be judged by local conditions, and it must not be forgotten that the girls are treated as members of the family, though not of course always as daughters would be treated. In many cases therefore the so-called wages might perhaps be better described as pocket money.

21. Clause 16 provides that every *Mui Tsai* over the age of 10 years and under the age of 15 years shall be entitled to wages at the rate of at least \$1 a month and that every *Mui Tsai* of or over the age of 15 years shall be entitled to wages at the rate of at least \$1.50 a month. These wages may seem low by English standards, but they must be judged by local conditions, and it must not be forgotten that the girls are treated as members of the family, though not of course always as daughters would be treated. In many cases therefore the so-called wages might perhaps be better described as pocket money.

22. Clause 17 provides that every *Mui Tsai* over the age of 10 years and under the age of 15 years shall be entitled to wages at the rate of at least \$1 a month and that every *Mui Tsai* of or over the age of 15 years shall be entitled to wages at the rate of at least \$1.50 a month. These wages may seem low by English standards, but they must be judged by local conditions, and it must not be forgotten that the girls are treated as members of the family, though not of course always as daughters would be treated. In many cases therefore the so-called wages might perhaps be better described as pocket money.

23. Clause 18 provides that every *Mui Tsai* over the age of 10 years and under the age of 15 years shall be entitled to wages at the rate of at least \$1 a month and that every *Mui Tsai* of or over the age of 15 years shall be entitled to wages at the rate of at least \$1.50 a month. These wages may seem low by English standards, but they must be judged by local conditions, and it must not be forgotten that the girls are treated as members of the family, though not of course always as daughters would be treated. In many cases therefore the so-called wages might perhaps be better described as pocket money.

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**"THE STORM."**

"The Storm," the Universal Jewel attraction which has won widespread commendation as the outstanding screen success of the year, comes to the World Theatre to-day for an engagement of four days. An all star cast, headed by House Peters, makes the screen version of Longdon McCormick's world famous play an artistic triumph that holds the spectator spellbound. Virginia Valli and Matt Moore play the chief supporting roles. In fact this stellar trio carry the burden of the majority of the scenes.

With the action of the storm laid in the northern Canadian woods, exceptional opportunities were offered for intense dramatic scenes, and Director Reginald Barker took full advantage of each chance to build up the suspense element. The forest fire scene, in which the flames sweep along in leaps and spurs, is magnificent and exceeds the thrilling mechanical forest fire given in the stage presentation.

Photoplay critics in New York, Chicago, and other metropolitan cities have been unanimous in their praise of the greatness of this Universal Jewel and the Manager of the Theatre is to be congratulated upon showing it here.

RESULTS

The results of yesterday's games were as follows:-

Men's Singles: Pay Lieut. Commander Worthington beat Capt. Dods 6-1, 3-6, 6-2.

Men's Doubles: Pay Lieut. Commander Worthington and Commodore Grace beat Capt. Forsyth and Capt. Le Fleming 7-5, 6-0.

Ladies' Singles: Miss P. Grace beat Miss Wentworth 6-2, 8-6.

Ladies' Doubles: Misses P. and G. Grace beat Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Binham 7-5, 6-4.

Mixed Doubles: Pay Lieut. Commander Worthington and Miss E. Leigh beat Capt. E. Morris 6-4, 6-4.

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**SHANGHAI RECORD BILLIARD BREAK.****154 BY MR. R. C. K. JOHNSON.**

Playing in the Shanghai Club on December 13, Mr. R. C. K. Johnson, a well known billiard player, made a record for the Club, scoring 154. The previous highest break was 145, a total compiled last year on two occasions, one by Mr. Johnson and the other by Mr. Gordon Morris.

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**REJECTED PROPOSALS.**

After this nothing more was heard from the Guild until October when a document was circulated by the Chinese brokers who said it was a form of contract on which dealers in importers; the proposed arrival clause would be contrary to the practice of the trade in India and in the Far East generally, and open to serious objection by the shipper; also, in the opinion of most importers, it would be unworkable. Importers therefore agreed upon a standard form of contract which, on the 3rd September, 1921, was sent to the Guild, who replied, on September 23rd, 1921,

"In reply, we beg to say that we cannot agree to some of the points therein."

Discussion followed, but

the matter fell into abeyance owing

to the troubled labour conditions at the beginning of this year.

Later, the question was reopened

at the request of the Guild and a conference between the Guild's representatives and members of the Piece Goods Sub Committee of the General Chamber of Commerce went very

fully into the matters in dispute.

The reasons why the Guild's request for

arrival could not be accepted were

fully explained, but later, after

further negotiations, it was agreed

that the Guild's request for a Chinese

translation of the form of contract, and another minor request, should be granted.

RESULTS

The results of yesterday's games were as follows:-

Men's Singles: Pay Lieut. Commander Worthington beat Capt. Dods 6-1, 3-6, 6-2.

Men's Doubles: Pay Lieut. Commander Worthington and Commodore Grace beat Capt. Forsyth and Capt. Le Fleming 7-5, 6-0.

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CHURCH NOTES.  
CHRISTMAS DAY.

Monday is the birthday of Jesus Christ, the day on which God sent His beloved Son into this world, to accept voluntarily the limitations of an earthly body, that He might be the Saviour of mankind—it is a mystery we can not understand with our finite minds, but with faith and adoration we kneel to worship "The Word made Flesh." Why is it called Christmas? Mass was the word used until three hundred years ago, for Holy Communion, and so it is the day on which all who love Christ receive Him at this Sacrament under the veils of bread and wine—remembering how He veiled His glory as He lay there in the Manger, a helpless Baby.

We think of the Shepherds hastening to worship Him and legend tells us of one shepherd who longed to go with the others and could not, because he had taken charge of a sick stranger who lay dying with no one but Shemuel to care for him. The other shepherds thought some one had unfeigned him to go to Bethlehem and when on their return they found him and the stranger both dead. They thought he had missed the Vision Beautiful but we know that they had seen the lesser vision "Veiled in flesh" and Shemuel saw the unveiled loveliness of Christ for evermore.

Christmas is especially the Feast of children. In most Christian countries, stockings are hung up and filled overnight with toys—by St. Nicholas say some, by Father Christmas say the English children, and by a woman called the "Baboushka," say the Russians. The Wise Men on their way to Bethlehem met the Baboushka and said "Come with us and worship Him" and she made answer, "I will come but not now." She left it too late and never saw the Christ Child; so her spirit, filled with longing, still lives, and searches for Him from house to house, filling the children's stockings—as she goes, hoping that among them she may one day give a present to the little Christ Child, whom she neglected so long ago. Brave spirit wandering through the ages refusing to believe that with Christ it is ever too late; "In as much as she does it unto the least of one of these, My brethren, she does it unto Me."

In the olden days mince pies were made not round but in the shape of cradles, in remembrance of the Manger bed.

Tuesday is St. Stephen's Day, the first Martyr, who was stoned to death thirty three years after Christ. One of the greatest of the Christian Martyrs, suffering both in will and deed, crying out, "Lay not this sin to their charge." And they that stood by "saw his face as it had been the face of an Angel."

Wednesday is the feast of St. John the Evangelist, one of the sons of Zebedee. He is the author of the fourth Gospel and the Book of Revelations, an account of the visions vouchsafed to him while he was an exile on the Island of Patmos, sent there because Domitian was unable to cause his death, (he had been thrown into a cauldron of boiling oil but St. John was miraculously unharmed.)

His Gospel was written chiefly to obviate the early heresies (especially the one of denying the divinity of Christ and disbelief in His existence before the Incarnation) and to supply the details omitted by the other Evangelists.

He is the Patron Saint of our English Cathedral in Hongkong.

Thursday is Holy Innocents Day, when we commemorate the little Jewish children under two years old who died by order of Herod, in the vain hope that among them would be the Child Jesus. So this coming week Christmas is followed by three types of Martyrs. St. Stephen who suffered in will and deed, St. John who suffered in will but not deed, and the Holy Innocents who suffered in deed but not in conscious will.

There is a beautiful story told by St. Jerome of Mary's last Christmas.

## SENSATION IN STATUE SQUARE.

## LUNATIC AT LARGE.

Accosted by the police at 2 o'clock this morning, a decrepit old gentleman wandering about in Statue Square gave his name as Gonzalo, said he was intimately connected with *The Tempest* and asked to be directed to Mgutries where, he said, he had much business awaiting. On being further questioned, he made some rambling statement about having heard strange noise in the air, describing them as "marvellous sweet music." Violently protesting the while, he was taken to the lunatic asylum and locked up for the night. Our interviewer this morning found him in a calmer mood, though the wardens spoke of high jinks during the night. It appears that the old gentleman is well connected in Naples and recently suffered shipwreck. He is to be released on Boxing Day on the arrival in the Colony of his shipwrecked compatriots, the sight of whom, it is hoped, may relieve the poor man's dementia.

on earth." St. John has well fulfilled the dying request of Jesus to be as a son to His dear Mother. Together they are sitting in his home talking of that first Christmas day, and as they recall all the lovely memories that centre round the Manger, Mary is filled with a great longing to go to Bethlehem and in that same stable to kneel and adore her Son in the blessed sacrament of the Holy Communion, again made flesh by the sacerdotal power of His disciple John. One of the shepherds, very old now, but never forgetting the vision of Angels which led him to worship the Christ Child, has also gone to the stable, and when Mary and John enter they find him asleep on the threshold.

"Starting up "Oh; am I dreaming?" "Tis the same sweet Mother mild;

Never could this heart forget her, who held the blessed Child";

Then with tears "Oh; Lady Mother, on that night so long ago

I was but a little shepherd, keeping sheep amid the snow.

And I gave Him, my one treasure, of the flock the fairest lamb;

And He smiled upon me Lady, such a smile, as sweet as balm,

And I ne'er forgot it Lady, as in foreign lands I roved;

For its memory ever vivid, kept me always true to God. Lady now I'm old and weary and I wanted just to see;

"Ere I died that spot so hallowed, where my God had smiled on me,

Then our Lady sat beside him and of Jesus gently spoke

Told him of His life and Passion, how His tender heart had broke;

Down the old man's cheeks so furrowed tenderly the hot tears ran,

As he listened to the story of God's wondrous love for man.

Like a second sped the light hours, whilst these two kept side by side;

That old shepherd and God's Mother, God Himself to both allied;

Now at midnight, at John's summons, came the Lord of heaven to earth;

Came again the Babe of Bethlehem to the cave that gave His birth.

On that night a first Communion, that lovely shed was made,

'Twas the shepherd's first Communion; 'twas his last Viaticum.

Morning dawned. The early sun beams, lightening up that lowly shed.

Showed our Lady still in rapture at her feet the shepherd dead.

Yes, his simple heart had sunk in an ecstasy of joy.

And the old man saw the swan smile that "lad won the shepherd boy."

## CHURCH NOTICES.

A CHARON OF ONE DOLLAR IS MADE FOR ALL NOTICES UNDER THIS HEADING.

## ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

HONGKONG 24TH DECEMBER, 1922.

4TH SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

Holy Communion at 8 a.m.

Matins 11 a.m.

Responses, Ferial: Venita: Barnby:

Psalm: 94 Trouback: Te Deum:

Woodward: Smart: Tunc: Benedic:

Trot: (7th moving); Anthem:

To God of High: Mendelssohn:

Hildegard (4th).

Responses, Ferial: Psalm: 97 Mu-

laren: Mannifield: Smart: Nine:

Dicitus: Barnby: Carol 6: "The

Fir: Nowell: Verses 2, 5: Tenor:

and Basses: Carol 14: "What

Child in This" Carol 2: "The Man-

ger Throne," Pastoral Symphony

from the Messiah (Handel) Carol 10:

"Good King Wenceslas," Carol 11:

"When I view the Mother hold-

ing;" Carol 17: "A Child this day

is born" (verso 2; Trebles, 3, 4

Tenors and Basses); Hymn: 63:

Holy Communion (12 noon).

Wesleyan Church, Queen's Road East.

Opposite Royal Naval Hospital, Wan Chai.

Sunday, 24th December, 1922.

10 15 a.m. Divine Service and Naval and Garrison Church Parade. Hymns and Chant 128. Te Deum, 864, 123, 124. Subject—"Christmas in the Gospel and in Christian Experience" Preacher: Rev. G. Clinton Porte (U.C.F.), 8 p.m. Special Carol Service arranged by the Organist and Choir 23rd 10 11 a.m. Sunday School. Special Service. Hymn 121, 122, 123, 124, Subject—"The Christ Child in Story and Legend" Preacher: G. Chapman Wesleyan Fathers and Soldiers' Home, Arsenal Street. Sunday, 8, 5 p.m. Chapman's Meeting and Social hour.

Monday, 25th. Christmas Party from 5 p.m. Wednesday, 8 00 p.m. Wesley Guild. Friday, 8 00 p.m. Tea, Social, Sale of Work, Competitions, and Games and Musical Programmes Saturday, 8 p.m. Grand Concert by "The Wayfarers" in Large Hall.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Sunday, Services, December 24th 1922.

Morning Service, at 11 a.m.

Evening Service, at 6 p.m.

Collection for the New Territories Mission: Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Maconochie. Sunday School, at 3.30 p.m. Christmas Morning Service, at 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Maconochie.

St. Andrew's Church, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

— 24th December, 1922.

4th Sunday in Advent.

8.15 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon.

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St. Peter's Church, West Point.

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Holy Communion.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, MacDonnell Road, Below Bowen Road.

Tram Station.

Sunday, 11.15 a.m.

Wednesday, 5.45 p.m.

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SOLE AGENTS:

## GARRISON RELIEFS.

## DUE NEXT MONTH.

The following reliefs for the local garrison are due to arrive here on January 16, aboard the P. and O. s.s. "Delta":

2/ King's Regt.—5 Officers, 2 ladies, 2 children, 158 other ranks, 2 women.

R.G.A.—13 Officers, 4 ladies, 2 children, 1 nurse, 35 other ranks, 11 women, 15 children.

R.A.S.C.—2 Officers, 1 lady, 2 children, 1 nurse, 17 other ranks, 4 women, 9 children.

R.A.P.C.—1 Officer, 4 other ranks, 1 woman, 3 children.

R.E.—2 Officers, 2 ladies, 1 child, 17 other ranks, 7 women, 9 children.

R.A.M.C.—4 Officers, 2 ladies, 4 children, 38 other ranks, 7 women, 7 children.

C.M.A.—2 other ranks, 2 women, 2 children.

R.A.V.C.—1 other rank; 1 woman.

R.A.O.C.—8 other ranks, 5 women, 8 children.

M.P.S.C.—1 other rank.

A.E.C.—1 W.O., 3 schoolmistresses, 1 child, Mrs. Potten.

For North China there are the following:

R.E.—1 Officer, 1 lady.

R.A.O.C.—1 Officer, 1 lady, 6 other ranks, 1 woman, 2 children.

R.A.S.C.—10 other ranks, 2 women.

In addition the following will join the ship here for the north:

R.E.—1 Officer, 1 wife.

R.C.S.—1 other rank.

R.A.S.C.—10 other ranks, 2 wives, 6 other ranks, 1 wife, 2 children.

R.A.O.C.—1 Officer, 1 wife, 2 children.

R.A.M.C.—Major A. M. Pollard, Major B. S. Tomlinson, wife and 1 child, S/Sgt. Pearce, wife and 2 children, L/Sgt. Hill, Corp. Turner and 15 Privates.

R.A.P.C.—Captain R. B. Cartwright and wife.

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Hugo Stinnes and Marquis de Lubersak.

Hugo Stinnes, richest man in Germany, is seen with the Marquis de Lubersak, who represented France at a conference regarding the work of preparation in northern France.



German Customs Control.

The cheapness of the German mark has caused the establishment of stringent custom inspections all along the German-Swiss frontier. Officers examine every person passing out of Germany to see that no goods are taken out.



George E. Eye and Mrs. Rebecca Garnet.

George E. Eye, an eighteen year-old youth of Calais, Maine, is shown here with his sixty-three-year-old grandmother, Mrs. Rebecca Louise Craig Eye Garnet, who left her bedridden husband and married her own grandson in St. Stephen, New Brunswick. When the officiating clergyman, W. C. H. Goucher, of St. Stephen, learned of their relationship, he rushed to their home, seized the marriage certificate, tore it up and declared the marriage invalid.



Round the world auto.

Mr. Jeffreys and his wife, who is known on the American stage as Pauline Mayo, are creating considerable astonishment in England in their "Round the World" automobile, on which they live. They started from their Ohio home last June and will remain on their tour for several years. They intend to leave Europe in March for Turkey, Persia, India, China, Japan and the United States. Jeffreys is a writer.



Lady Joan Mulholland, youngest daughter of the fifth Earl of Stratford, is soon to wed General, the Earl of Cavan, Chief of the British Imperial Staff, who commanded the British troops in Italy after the Piave disaster.



Many Texas attorneys have urged President Harding to name Judge Nelson Phillips, former Chief Justice of that State, to the vacancy in the U.S. Supreme Court caused by the resignation of Justice Day.



Prince &amp; Princess Lubomirski.

Prince Casimir Lubomirski, Polish Ambassador to Washington, has returned to America to take up his duties.



Alfred E. Smith and George R. Lunn.

Former Governor Alfred E. Smith, New York City, and Mayor George R. Lunn, of Schenectady, are, respectively, candidates for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor of New York State.



After leaving his official residence at No. 10 Downing Street, London when he resigned as Premier of Britain, Mr. Lloyd George has taken a new home at No. 86 Vincent Square, Victoria, South Wales.



Mrs. Kyrie Belieu.

Mrs. Kyrie Belieu, the actress, who is the wife of Mr. Arthur Bouchier, was a candidate for Parliament.



M. Orme Wilson, Jr.

M. Orme Wilson, Jr., has sailed for Switzerland, where he will act as First Secretary to the American Legation in Berne.

Ambassador Ricci.

Italian Ambassador Ricci, who represents Italy in the United States, has tendered his resignation, following the victory of the Fascisti in that country.

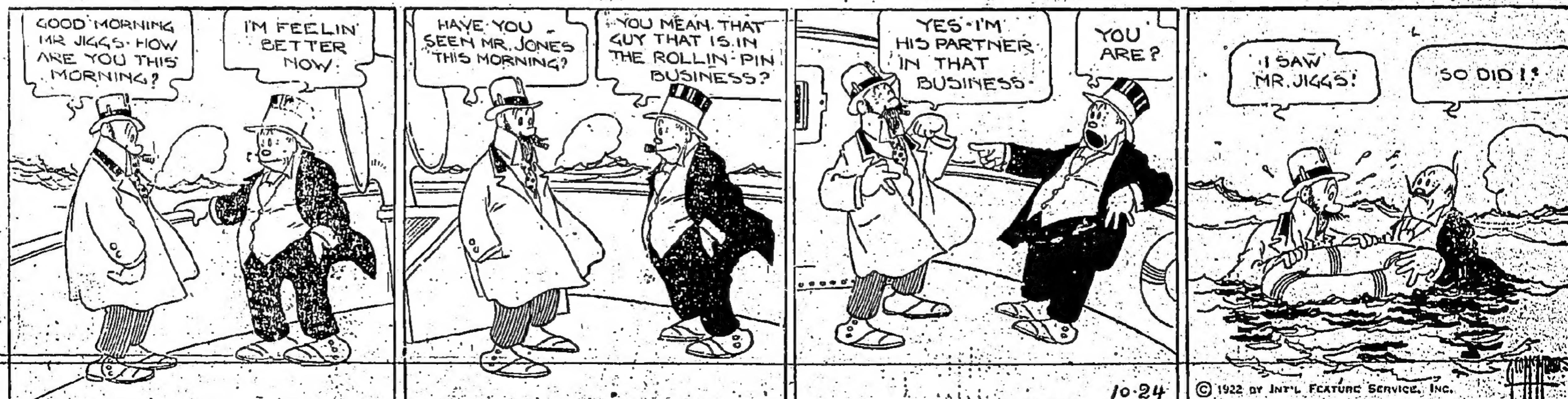
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## CHILDREN'S CORNER.

(Continued from Page 2.)

"Yes, anything that's any use I'll gladly do," I said.  
The Queen looked up and smiled at me.  
"Then stoop and bend your head."

"Tis just the very thing we want,  
Your hair is black as night,  
Give me one look—elves make a fire,  
And then all will be right."

The fairies ran at her command,  
Brought wood and kindled it,  
While from my head with scissors  
She snipped a tiny bit.

Then (now it) the pot and waved  
Her wand first up, then down,  
And as she did this by the walls  
Trees grew up round the town,

The straw at tree you ever saw,  
So tall and thin and straight,  
At first they were quite small but  
soon

Sprang up at such a rate.

On every branch a dumstick grew,  
I gazed with all my might,  
And Father Christmas seemed  
amazed.

"I never saw such a sight!"

He said, "And thank you my kind  
friend!"  
For giving up your hair,  
My thanks as well to you fair Queen,  
For I was in despair.

Now hasten once again my elves."  
They climbed the trees so tall,  
Some cut the drum-sticks one by one,  
Then down I saw them fall.

They piled them in the sled. The  
driver.  
Were ready to depart.

I saw them prancing up and down,  
And wished with all my heart

There was a seat for me to ride  
With Father Christmas back,  
But there was only room for him,  
The toys and his huge sack.

"Farewell kind Queen, farewell dear  
elves,"  
He cried and waved his hand,  
Then sprang into his seat and drove  
Away out of Toyland.

I crept out too and hurried back  
'Twas almost Christmas Day,  
I knew I'd find whole heaps of toys  
And things with which to play.

About my visit to Toyland,  
No grown up knew it for they  
I rather think would just have laughed  
And said, "Why tried with play

You slept and went there in a dream,  
That's what occurred to you!"  
But yet—though it was very strange,  
I feel quite sure 'twas true.

PETER PAN.

## MARY'S STOCKING.

Mary had been talking a lot about  
Christmas and especially about long  
ing up her stocking.

"I do wonder what I shall have in  
it, Mother," she said, "It is such fun  
to wake up early when it is dark or  
perhaps just getting light. Then I  
feel in my stocking and guess what all  
the things are apples and oranges and  
nuts and last year there was a lovely  
baby doll and a pencil box too."

"Well don't wake up too soon,"  
laughed her mother. "Or perhaps  
Father Christmas will not have been  
and you will find an empty stocking."

Snip and Snop were listening to all  
this attentively and as Mary and her  
mother left the room Snip said,  
"Shall we give Mary a present and  
put it in her stocking Snop?"

"Yes," answered Snop, "That  
would be rather fun. We can sleep  
on the mat outside her room and  
when she is fast asleep we can jump  
on a chair and put our present in her  
stocking and then when she wakes up  
and finds it we shall be close by and  
can see how she likes it."

This was a long speech (spoken of  
course all in growls and short barks)  
and Snop was walking up and down  
the room his tail quivering with ex-  
citement. Both the dogs were very  
generous and they were so fond of  
Mary that they were always trying to  
think of nice things for her and how  
they could please her.

"But what can we give her?"  
puzzled Snip.

"I know," Snop said, "Do you re-  
member how pleased Mary was when  
we gave her our bones on her birth-  
day?"

For Mary had certainly pretended  
to be very pleased because she knew  
that the dogs had meant it kindly  
and it was so nice of them to have  
given up their bones. But, at the  
same time, she did not know at first  
what to do with them until she  
thought of giving them to Snorom  
the cat. Snip and Snop however did  
not know anything about this.

"You really are clever at thinking  
of these things," Snop said, his  
brother admiringly. "We will save  
our unused bone and they will do  
nicely."

And they were so pleased at having  
thought of this that they turned head  
over heels and nearly knocked over  
Mary, who was just coming into the  
room again.

Fortunately for the dogs on Christ-  
mas Eve they were both given a big  
bone nearly covered with meat.

"Mine is the best," cried Snop, "I  
will give it to Mary."

"No," his brother replied,  
"There is even so much more meat  
in mine. It is far better than  
yours."

And they nearly came to blows  
over this question until suddenly  
Snip sat down and laughed.

"How silly we are to be quarrelling  
like this," he barked, "When you  
look at them there is hardly any  
difference. But I know what we can  
do. We will call in Snorom and she  
shall decide which is the better one."

"You always manage to settle  
everything," Snop said admiringly,  
"I will find Snorom and then we  
shall see what she says."

Snorom was only outside in the  
garden and soon came in and when  
she heard about the bone she sat  
down in front of them with a wise air  
and put her paw up to her head.

There was silence for a moment or  
two and then she said, "They are  
both exactly the same but this one  
(pointing to Snop's bone) looks easier  
to break. You bad brother divides  
that one and give the other to Mary."

"Clever Snorom," growled the  
dogs, "Thank you for helping us,"  
and Snip added, "As a reward you  
shall have the first bite off my half  
of the bone."

"And off mine too," echoed Snop.

Snorom daintily nibbled a bit off  
each side and then a snap broke the  
bone in half and they hid the other  
one outside in the garden.

Mary went to bed early that night,  
leaving the dogs apparently fast  
asleep in their baskets, but when the  
house was quiet and all the lights out  
they crept up to her room and re-  
ped cautiously inside.

Mary was fast asleep—and as the  
moon was shining through the window  
they could see her stocking hanging  
on the end of the bed.

Snip jumped on to a chair, Snop  
handed him the bone and Snip pushed  
it into the top of Mary's stocking  
which was full of little parcels. Then  
they both lay down on the mat, put  
their heads between their paws and  
went to sleep.

It was almost daylight when they  
woke up with a start and they could  
hear Mary's bed creak as they sat up.

The next morning Mary gave a  
piece of shirk and sprang out of bed  
not in what seemed hardly a minute,  
her mother and father came running  
into her room with a lighted candle.

"What is it, Mary? What is the  
matter?" cried her mother.

"My stocking," gasped Mary, "I  
don't know what is in it. Perhaps..."

Then her eyes fell on Snop, sitting  
boldly upright by her bed, looking  
rather anxious as they could not un-  
derstand what all the fuss was about.

"Oh I know now," she laughed.  
"It is another present from my dear  
dogs. I was so sleepy that I never  
thought of that." And she pointed  
to the bone which was sticking out of  
the top of her stocking.

"Don't you like it, Mary?" baked  
Snop and tears came into Snop's eyes  
for they both felt that something was  
wrong, yet they could not understand  
how anybody could help liking a big  
bone covered with meat.

"Like it, of course, I do," cried  
Mary, who understood what Snop was  
trying to say. "Thank you both very  
much. I will put it on my washstand  
and then I can see it when I wake  
up." And she lifted the bone out  
rather gingerly between one finger and  
thumb, afterwards dipping them in  
her basin of water.

"Well now, Mary, suppose we all go  
to sleep again," suggested her father  
and her mother was already tucking  
her up once more.

When they had gone Snop said to  
Snip in a sleepy voice, "I don't  
understand what all the fuss was  
about, do you?"

"No I certainly do not," answered  
Snip. "But anyway she seemed very  
pleased with the bone when she found  
out what it was. Listen—she is fast  
asleep again. I vote that we sleep  
too."

"Quite right," muttered Snop,  
nodding his head, "You are always  
right Snip."

And in another minute there was  
silence once more.

PETER PAN.

## A MINCEMEAT GAME.

All the answers are things found in  
mincemeat.

1 Something that grows in a garden  
or field.

2 The capital of Ceylon and a  
famous British statesman con-  
nected with the Police force.

3 An action performed by a girl.

4 Often met with in a stream or  
river.

5 The wife of a Turkish monarch.

6 The cause of the downfall of Eve.

ANSWERS.

1 Flur (Flour).

2 Candy peel.

3 Suet (Suet eat).

4 Current (Current).

5 Sultana.

6 H. E. Construction.

7 Tangerine.

8 Apple.

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" On demand ... 1/674

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## HOLIDAY FIXTURES

## TO-DAY'S SPORT.

## LEAGUE CRICKET.

C.R.C. v. H.K.C.C. on O.R.O.  
ground.

Indians v. R.G.A. on the Military  
ground.

Indians 2nd XI v. Royal Engineers  
on Indians' ground.

## THIRTY-FIVE MATCHES.

University v. Infantry on University  
ground.

Civil Service v. Navy at Happy  
Valley.

Kowloon 2nd XI v. Civil Service  
2nd XI on Kowloon ground.

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI v. Wayfoong on  
H.K.C.C. ground.

## RUGBY.

Cup-tie Army v. Navy, Club ground.

Kick-off 4.15 p.m.

## LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

FIRST DIVISION.

King's v. Hawkins. Sockumpoo  
"A" ground.

Ambrose v. R.G.A. Navy. "A"  
ground.

Tamar v. Police. South China  
ground.

Kowloon v. Titania. Kowloon  
(Hunghom) ground.

Durban v. Club. Navy. "B" ground.

Kick off at 4 p.m. sharp.

## SECOND DIVISION.

R.G.A. v. United. Sockumpoo  
"A" ground.

Titania v. Kowloon. Navy "B"  
ground.

Hawkins v. Ambrose. Club ground.

Durban v. Auxiliaries. St. Joseph's  
ground. (Kick off 4 p.m.)

University v. Marazion. Navy "A"  
ground.

King's St. Joseph's. St. Joseph's  
ground.

South China "A" v. Warders.

South China ground.

Kick off at 2.30 p.m.

## BOXING.

At the Theatre Royal at 9.15 p.m.  
Main event:—Fifteen round Contest  
for the Heavy weight Championship  
of the Colony and the Hongkong  
Exchange Brokers' Association Belt.

Pts. S. Ainsworth v. C.P.O. Callagan

Royal Marines H.M.S. Titania

## DECEMBER 24.

Royal Hongkong Golf Club Christ-  
mas competitions at Deep Bay.

## BOXING DAY.

## CRICKET.

First match of Triangular Toun-  
ament—H.K.C.C. v. Army, on Club  
ground, commencing at 10 a.m.

H.K.C. 2nd v. H.K.C.C. 2nd at  
Kowloon, commencing at 10 a.m.

O.S.C.C. v. Navy, at Happy Valley.

## FOOTBALL.

International match—Scotland v.  
England, on Club ground. Kick-off  
at 4.15 p.m.

## GOLE.

Royal Hongkong Golf Club Com-

petition at Deep Bay.

## SOCIAL.

Special Carnival night dinner dan-

ceant at Hongkong Hotel.

## ENTERTAINMENT.

A.D.C. performance of "The  
Tempest" at the Theatre Royal, 9.15

p.m.

## FOOTBALL.

## KOWLOON TEAMS.

The following have been selected to  
represent K. Wong in both divisions  
on Saturday.

1st Division, Kowloon v. Titania  
on Kowloon ground at 4 p.m.:—

Woodman, Wheler, Knight, Morris-

ton, King, McElvane, Cleme, Mason,

Parco, A. Duncan and Coombs.

Reserves—Millard.

2nd Division, Kowloon v. Titania  
on Navy "B" ground at 2.30 p.m.:—

Rosenman, Guest, G. Duncan, Ban-

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The Post Office Counter will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

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There will be one delivery from District Offices at noon.

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## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28.